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THE ST. THOMAS MORE LIBRARY

In order to preserve and perpetuate the tradition of its Patron, the great Lawyer-Saint, The St. Thomas More Institute for Legal Research of St. John's University School of Law has established a St. Thomas More Library.

The idea of establishing a St. Thomas More Library was conceived by the Reverend Joseph T. Tinnelly, C.M., Dean of St. John's University School of Law and Editor of *THE CATHOLIC LAWYER*, and vitalized through the efforts of the St. Thomas More Library Fund Committee. The Honorable Miles F. McDonald, Justice of the Supreme Court of New York, is Honorary Chairman and William Martin, Esq., of New York City is Chairman of the Committee. It has been chiefly through the efforts of this Committee that the funds necessary to purchase the books in the present collection were raised.

Among the volumes acquired are several rare editions published in seventeenth century England. *The Mirrour of Vertue* by William Roper, son-in-law of St. Thomas More, published in 1626, and *The Commonwealth of Utopia* by Sir Thomas Moore (sic), printed in 1639, are among the more noteworthy.

With the continued cooperation of Catholic lawyers interested in the project, the Institute and the Fund Committee hope to increase gradually the collection, eventually establishing it as one of the more extensive St. Thomas More Libraries in the country.